

Appl. No. : 09/910,477
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REMARKS

In the February 8, 2005 Office Action, the Examiner rejects Claims 8 and 9 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as obvious over U.S. Patent No. 6,304,140 to Thron, et al.

Information Disclosure Statement

Applicants are filing an Information Disclosure Statement concurrently with the filing of this response. The Information Disclosure Statement includes art cited by the Examiner in the related application with Application No. 09/910,422 filed on July 20, 2001.

Amendments to Claims 1, 10, 16, 17, 24, and 26

Applicants have amended Claims 1, 10, 16, 17, 24, and 26 to correct grammar. Claim 1 has been amended to add the word "generate." Claim 10 has been amended to change the word "compares" to "compare." Claim 16 has been amended to add the word "form." Claim 17 has been amended to delete the article "a." Claim 24 has been amended to delete the article "a." Claim 26 has been amended to delete the word "indicates."

Rejections of Claims 8 and 9

Without acquiescing to the Examiner's rejections, Applicants have canceled Claims 8 and 9 without prejudice herewith to speed issuance of the allowed and allowable claims. Applicants reserve the right to pursue any of the canceled claims in a continuation application.

Summary

In view of the foregoing cancellation of Claims 8 and 9, Applicants request the Examiner to pass the present application to the issue process.

If there is any further impediment to the prompt allowance of the present application, Applicants request the Examiner to call the undersigned attorney of record at 310-407-3466 or at the telephone number listed below to resolve any such impediment.

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Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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